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San Dimas Man Charged with Slashing Friend

A 26-year-old man accused of slashing a friend's face was charged today, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Matthew David Anderson (dob 12/1/87) of San Dimas was charged with one felony count each of assault with a deadly weapon and mayhem, as well as one misdemeanor count of battery in case KA107606.

The defendant is scheduled to be arraigned today at the Los Angeles County Superior Court in Pomona in Department F. Prosecutors will recommend that Anderson's bail be set at \$180,000.

The charging document includes a special allegation that the defendant personally inflicted great bodily injury during the commission of the crime.

Prosecutors said on Sept. 20 Anderson got into a fight with a longtime friend. At some point, the defendant allegedly armed himself with a knife and slashed the male victim's face. Additionally, Anderson reportedly attacked the friend's female partner.

Following the dispute, authorities were called and Anderson was arrested in connection with the incident.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a maximum sentence of 13 years in state prison.

The case is being investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.